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SUBJECT: DRV-GOP JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF AUG. 8, 1975

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1. I MET WITH FONSEC ROMULO AUGUST 16 TO CONVEY SUBSTANCE
REF B WITH RESPECT DRV-GOP "COMMUNIQUE". ROMULO TOLD ME
HE HAD CHEWED OUT MANGILA AND SENT HIM OFF TO THE PROVINCES
WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO STAY AWAY FROM THE PRESS. HE SAID
MANGILA'S ONLY EXPLANATION FOR HIS ACTION WAS THAT HE WAS
UNDER "ENORMOUS DRV PRESSURE".

2. IN MEANTIME, MANGILA HAS SUBMITTED WRITTEN REPORT TO
PRESIDENT. ROMULO, IN MEMO ACCOMPANYING REPORT, HAS
RECOMMENDED THAT MANGULA BE SENT BACK TO HANOI TO
REPUDIATE HIS SIGNATURE ON COMMUNIQUE AND SEEK RENEGOTIATION
ON TERMS GOP HAD STIPULATED IN PARIS. IF MANGULA GOES TO
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HANOI, IT WILL BE AFTER DRV 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

SEPTEMBER SECOND.

3. COMMENT: IT IS UNCERTAIN WHETHER MARCOS WILL ACCEPT ROMULO'S SUGGESTION THAT MANGILA GO TO HANOI OR STICK WITH HIS EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FOR DOING THE REPUDIATION IN PARIS. LATTER WOULD PROBABLY BE MORE SATISFACTORY TO OUR INTERESTS BECAUSE MANGILA WILL HAVE A VESTED INTEREST IN PRESERVING ESSENCE OF HIS PREVIOUS HANDIWORK, RATHER THAN BEING FLATLY REPUDIATED IN PARIS. IN MEANTIME, LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRESS INTEREST IN THIS AFFAIR SEEMS SURPRISINGLY LIMITED, EVEN THOUGH IT MUST BE OBVIOUS TO CORRESPONDENTS THAT SOMETHING IS AMISS.
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